

For Information

Legislative Council Panel on Public Service

**The Government's Response to the Issues
Raised by the Panel at the Meeting on 18 January 2021**

At the meeting held on 18 January 2021, the Panel on Public Service requested the Government to provide the number of applications for final extension of service and further employment beyond retirement age for a longer duration (FE) with breakdowns by civilian/disciplined services grades.

The Government's Response

2. The revised arrangements for processing applications for final extension of service have taken effect since 25 February 2016. As at 24 August 2020, a total of 12 427 applications were received by bureaux/departments, of which 11 871 applications had been processed. Among the processed applications, 9 471 applications were approved. A breakdown of the number by civilian/disciplined services grades is set out at **Annex A**.

3. As regards FE, the adjusted mechanism was implemented on 1 June 2017. As at 31 December 2020, out of 4 920 applications, 4 298 applications were approved. A breakdown of the number by civilian/disciplined services grades is set out at **Annex B**.

Civil Service Bureau
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**Number of Applications for Final Extension of Service
by Civilian/Disciplined Services Grades
(as at 24 August 2020)**

Grades	Number of Applications Received	Number of Applications Processed and Approved
Civilian Grades	8 205	6 204
Disciplined Services Grades	4 222	3 267
Total	12 427	9 471

**Number of FE Applications
by Civilian/Disciplined Services Grades
(as at 31 December 2020)**

Grades	Number of Completed FE Selection Exercises	Number of Applications	Number of Applications Approved
Civilian Grades	105	3 271	2 956
Disciplined Services Grades	26	1 649	1 342
Total	131	4 920	4 298